NONPOINT SOURCE --TARGETED RUNOFF MANAGEMENT GRANTS

Authorization: s. 281.65 Wis. Stats., ch. NR 153, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2003-2004 Fiscal Year = \$ 3,730,000

2004-2005 Fiscal Year = \$ 2,000,000

<u>Objective:</u> Improve water quality by limiting or ending nonpoint (runoff) sources of water pollution. Provide financial assistance to both county and non-permitted municipal units of governmental statewide to either construct best management practices themselves or contract with individual landowners to install such practices.

Eligibility: All Wisconsin governmental units.

<u>Level of Assistance:</u> Reimbursement to eligible governmental units for up to 70% of eligible costs to install best management practices to reduce water pollution.

Priorities: Focused in critical watershed and lake areas where nonpoint source-related water quality problems are most severe and control is most feasible.

<u>Eligible Types of Projects:</u> Construction and installation of both urban and agricultural best management practices.

Applications: Wisconsin cities, towns, villages, tribes and counties apply annually; deadline is April 15th. Applicants compete statewide; applications with the highest scores are funded until all available funds have been allocated. Grants are made for specific projects and have a 2-year implementation time frame.

History: The Targeted Runoff Management grant program was created by 1997-99 State Budget Bill (Act 27). The first applications were submitted in CY 1998, and the first TRM grants were issued in CY 1999. Through CY 2005, 149 TRM grants have been issued, committing \$14.5-million.

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